Schools all across the NAD are buying laptops, iPads, e-boards; participating in project-based learning; and sending teachers to STEM training — all to ensure students have the tools they need to not only work in today’s economy, but to lead in it. Where is the funding for much of this cutting edge technology coming from? Versacare, Inc. MORE

On Sept. 5, the Andrews University Press will release for sale the long-awaited New International Version (NIV) of the landmark Andrews Study Bible. In addition, nearly 700 new students at Andrews will receive a complimentary copy from the university, continuing a tradition that began in 2011, but now takes place for the first time with the NIV. MORE
Literature mission work in the NAD is changing lives. Read about some of the outreach being accomplished across the division in this inspiring report from Carl McRoy, new Literature Missions director — and be part of “preparing the harvest.” MORE

In time for Creation Sabbath on Oct. 26, 2019, the updated creationsabbath.net website incorporates improvements designed to help users develop fun, effective, and life-changing Creation Sabbath programs in their churches, communities, schools, hospitals and other institutions. MORE

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

Adventist Church Works to Clarify its Stance on Abortion (Md.)

ADRA Readies to Assist Bahamas Islands Slammed by Hurricane Dorian

Adventist Siblings Win Religious Exemption for High School Tennis Tournament (Wash.)

Gary Rustad Appointed President of Georgia-Cumberland Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (Ga.)

8 Sleep Questions for Dr. Prashant James of Adventist Health (Ore.)

"It's a Very Giving Church:" Abney Chapel Adventist Church Celebrates 100 Years (N.C.)

Why AdventHealth's Rebrand Was More Than a Name Change

SWAU to Host Reversing Diabetes Program (Texas)
Southern Adventist University Invites Former Miss Tennessee to Community Service Emphasis Week (Tenn.)

Convicted Arsonist of Oildale Adventist Church to be Sentenced Tuesday (Calif.)

Throng of People Enjoy Block Party at Hagerstown Church (Md.)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES**

**The NAD All-Night Prayer Call** is Sept. 5-6, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Eastern Time. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; access code is Prayer# (772937#).

**“Whole and Holy” is the theme of this year’s NAD Women’s Convention** on Sept. 26-29 in Orlando, Fla. The emphasis will be on women’s health and the connection between mental, physical, and spiritual health. This year, for the first time, the convention will include a track for high school girls. **CLICK HERE** for more info or to register. **Hurry, registration ends today, Sept. 5!**

**ACS presents the Nonprofit Leadership Certification Program**, to be held Sept. 16-19. The program is designed to equip pastors, church administration and nonprofit leaders with strategies and professional skills to successfully lead. NLCP focuses on three major learning outcomes: leadership skills, improvement of management knowledge, and changes in attitude of social dimensions of evangelism. **MORE**
ALC's Principles of Retirement course emphasizes the importance of a prudent retirement plan for North American Division employees. Participants will experience the unique Adventist Retirement approach to prepare for a modest, sustainable standard of living in the retirement years by utilizing the NAD Retirement Plans. The course is primarily targeted at those who are within 10 years of retirement, although younger employees can discover valuable concepts for long-term financial wellness. **EARN 0.5 CEUs.**

The 4th annual Conscience & Justice Council (CJC) Convention tackles the theme of Faith, Community and Justice. Speakers include Barry Black, U.S. Senate Chaplain; Raymond Santana, Central Park 5; Dedrick Blue, School of Theology, Oakwood University; Scott Ritsema, executive director, Belt of Truth Ministries; and Jo Ann Davidson, professor of Systematic Theology Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. Plan to join us in Atlanta, Ga., on Sept. 26-29. Additional information, including registration info, is available at [www.cjcouncil.org](http://www.cjcouncil.org) or (800) 732-7587. Early Bird specials are available until Sept. 19.

Children's Sabbath (Oct. 5) resources are available now! Check out the free downloads for the "God's Amazing Grace" program, a lesson on God's unconditional love for all of us. Find posters, order of service ideas, optional activity suggestions, and even a letter for your pastor! For more information, visit NAD Children's Ministries' [Children's Sabbath 2019 page](http://www.nad.org/childrens-sabbath).

Join the Society of Adventist Communicators in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on Oct. 17-19! If you missed this super early-bird registration, don't fret! You can still catch the early-bird special. Pay just $375 when you register before Sept.30. Price goes up to $400
on Sept. 30. Spouse rate is $350. Click here to register/find out the special student rate; check out presenters HERE.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

September

7 Men's Day of Prayer
7 Offering: Local Church Budget
8-14 Nurture Periodicals (Adventist Review, Guide, Primary Treasure, Little Friend)
8-14 Family Togetherness Week
14 Family Togetherness Sabbath
14 InStep Day
14 Offering: Local Church Budget
15-21 Let's Move Week/Health Education Week/Vibrant Life
15-21 Hispanic Heritage Week
21 Offering: Local Church Budget
22-26 Deaf Christian Women's Ministry Annual Retreat
28 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering: East-Central

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God Goes With You

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

— Deut. 31:6 (NIV)